



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Boppana et al.
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicants are submitting the present document in response to an Office Action dated 9 MAR 2006 (hereinafter "the Office Action") for the above-noted application. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to Claims begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.